The Mar Augustine Night School.

374. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar—In answer to part of my question No. 98 of the last meeting I was referred to the Appendix V for the answer. The question was for a copy of the Report submitted to the Director by the Officer concerned. But the appendix referred to contained only the Inspector's report to the Manager and the Manager's explanation thereto. Will the Government be pleased to place on the table copies of all correspondence that passed between the Senior Inspector and the Director in regard to the matter referred to in that question and to state what further action they have taken in the matter?

Mr. C. Matthai.—The grant to the school has been stopped. Public interests do not require the publication of the papers.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Public interests do not require the publication of such papers. Is not this Council likely to know it better than the Head of a Department?

Mr. C. Matthai.—There is a gross misrepresentation in that statement.

Managers of Aided Schools.

375. Mr. I. E. Ambookan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Manager of an aided school is not the sole authority in the matter of appointment and of giving punishment to the teachers of aided schools?

(b) Has the Government made definite rules relating distinctly the power of Government Officers in these matters?

Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) No.

(b) Definite rules have been laid down—for instance Arts. 78 (6) and 57 of the Education Code.

Financial help rendered by Government to Aided Schools for teaching Agriculture.

376. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have given any financial help to school authorities in the matter of teaching Agriculture and in maintaining gardens attached to their schools for the practical study of Agriculture?

Mr. C. Matthai—Small sums are given to Sirkar Schools for purchasing tools and implements for the purpose.

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